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Group/Art Unit: 2188  
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Title: VIRTUAL HEAP FOR A  
VIRTUAL MACHINE

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Action of February 9, 2004, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.